which must in turn receive legal sanction or through a verdict of the judiciary. Government will facilitate all attempts to find an amicable resolution of the dispute.

Census on the basis of caste

†1031. SHRI SURENDRA LATH:
SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the prescribed proforma used for recent Census in the country did not contain any column for caste;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that Census has not been done on the basis of caste in the country after 1952;

(c) if so, the manner in which Government ensure reservation for SC,ST and OBCs on the basis of their increased population; and

(d) whether Government propose to conduct census on the basis of caste?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) and (c) Yes Sir, information on individual caste, tribe or race has not been collected in the censuses held after independence except for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for meeting the Constitutional requirements.

(d) No Sir.

Killing of civilians in bomb blasts in J&K

1032. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that terrorists have started targeting civilians in bomb blast attacks in Jammu and Kashmir for the last couple of months;

(b) the details of such incidents during the last three months with number of persons died and injured in attacks;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.